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Independent Claims	1	- 3	0	x \$200.00	\$0
Multiple dependent claims not previously presented, add \$360.00					\$0
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Respectfully submitted,

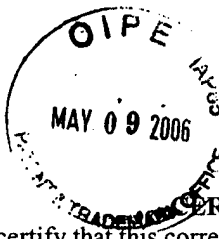
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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed on February 15, 2006, for which a response is initially due on or before May 15, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.